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- $\underline{\mbox{\bf 1}}{\mbox{\bf 1}}.$ This cable is sensitive but unclassified. Please protect accordingly.
- 12. (SBU) On April 4, DCM met with Ambassador Youssef Amrani, MFA Director-General of Bilateral Relations, to deliver reftel demarche. Amrani's immediate response to the demarche was that the USG's position on the conferences is very similar to the European Union's (EU) position. Amrani did not provide further substantive response but took US points on board and promised to relay them to his superiors.
- 13. (SBU) In response to the request (reftel par. 3) that the Moroccan press refrain from negative rhetoric, Amrani stated emphatically that there is no anti-Algerian press any longer and that such language would not be used in the future.

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